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Mr Simon McRae
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By email: Simon@ethicalclothingaustralia.org.au

Dear Mr McRae

**Homeworker Code Committee application for interim authorisation
– interested party consultation**

I refer to the above mentioned application for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 21 February 2013.

Please find enclosed, for your information, a copy of the letter the ACCC sent today to potentially interested parties as part of its public consultation process in relation to the Homeworker Code Committee's application for authorisation.

All publicly available submissions will be posted on the ACCC internet site at www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister. Alternatively, at the end of the consultation period the ACCC can arrange for you to receive a copy of all publicly available submissions received in relation to the application.

Timetable

The ACCC will progress its assessment of the application in a timely manner. An indicative timetable is set out below for your information.

Indicative date	Stage in assessment process
21 February 2013	Lodgement of application and supporting submission, including request for interim authorisation.
25 February 2013	Public consultation process regarding interim authorisation begins.
4 March 2013	Closing date for submissions on interim authorisation.
8 March 2013	ACCC granted interim authorisation.
15 March 2013	Public consultation process begins regarding reauthorisation of the amended Code.
5 April 2013	Closing date for submissions from interested parties

Indicative date	Stage in assessment process
	regarding reauthorisation of the amended Code.
April 2013	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
April/May 2013	Draft determination.
May/June 2013	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
June/July 2013	Final determination.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Tanya Hobbs on (02) 6243 1029 or tanya.hobbs@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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